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Chief, Hawaii Bureau

20 September 1948

Chief, FBIB

Mess Facilities, Kauai Bureau

1. On 6 February 1948 a request was initiated by FBIB to secure approval for the employment of a mess attendant at the Kauai Bureau. Subsequent to the approval and employment of this attendant, it was determined that the payment of the salary of this attendant was improper inasmuch as the mess was operated on a cooperative basis.

2. On 11 June 1948 a request was made for the establishment of a Government operated mess and that a mess attendant be provided. This request was referred to the appropriate officials of CIA and returned to this office, On 8 September 1948, disapproved.

3. The basis for final disapproval by CIA authorities is quoted herein for your information:

"At no time has CIA requested or received funds for the purpose of running a mess or paying mess attendants, and United States Civil Authority restricts itself to situations where there are funds appropriated for such specific purposes. Therefore, there is no authority for CIA to make expenditures for the type of activity proposed for the Kauai Bureau, FBIB."

4. In view of CIA disapproval of this request, your attention is again invited to the necessity of effecting settlement for Government funds in the amount of \$300.53 expended in payment of salary to the mess attendant employed at the Kauai Bureau.

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